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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER TREATMENT METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER INSPECTION METHOD, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE DEVELOPMENT METHOD AND SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER TREATMENT APPARATUS Inventors' Names and Residences:

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 35 pages, including 5 independent claims and 31 claims total.

- 2. Drawings- 10 sheets of formal drawings containing 20 figures. (Figures 1-16).
- 3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$	\$770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims			
Total Claims	31	-	20	11	x \$18		198.00
Independent Claims	5	-	3	2	x \$86		172.00
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TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE						\$	1140.00

4. A check for \$1140.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on Japanese Application Nos. 2002-330683, filed November 14, 2002, and 2003-372019, filed October 31, 2003.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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